

HASTINGS

Dry Goods

We have a beautiful line of Handkerchiefs suitable for the Holiday trade.

In Trimmings we have Appliques, Medallions and Jet Trimmings beautiful in design and correct in style.

English Vestings came into popularity so quickly that we have a large and elegant assortment for you to select from.

Comforts and Blankets

Comforts and blankets in abundance.

Sweaters

Sweaters from 50c to \$5.00.

Golf Gloves in all colors and at all prices.

Sir Knight \$4 Shoe The Latest Style



Wear a pair of "Sir Knights" this winter. That will be a test of their comfort and wearing qualities. Stamp around in them all day, and at night and your feet will thank your eyes for reading this ad. The shoe shown here is the Tournament toe. There are eleven other toes. All sizes and widths. Your size among them.

Always a Complete Line of Groceries at the Lowest Figures

YOUNG MADDOX ACQUITTED

TRIED IN CIRCUIT COURT LAST WEEK.

Judge Instructed Jury That Boy Was Too Young To Have Had Murderous Intent.

Charles Maddox, the 9-year old boy who killed Delos Ayres, another small boy, near the Rockbank school house west of this city, was tried in division No. 1 of the circuit court at Carthage last Thursday and the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty. Dr. Schooner of this city, who attended the injured boy was called down as one of the witnesses.

The trial came to an abrupt end at the conclusion of the evidence for the prosecution, when the attorneys for the boy filed a demurrer. Judge Perkins sustained the demurrer and instructed the jury to bring in a verdict of not guilty. The judge held that the child was too young to have had a murderous intent. The boy left for home soon after in company with father and sister.

The evidence was practically the same as was given by the News at the time of the killing. It showed that the Maddox boy was shooting frogs at the pond when

the Ayres boy came up. They were unknown to each other and the Ayres boy told his name. Maddox was asked his name and replied said: "Would you like to know my name; then I guess I'll just shoot you." With that he pointed the gun at Ayres and it was immediately discharged, inflicting wounds which later proved fatal. A scuffle between the boys took place after the shooting.

LITTLE TOUCH OF WINTER.

Four Above Zero by Some Thermometers in Jasper.

Jasper has had a little touch of winter during the past week. Saturday morning it was as balmy as a spring day but before night the wind had switched around and was blowing a piercing gale from the northwest bringing with it sleet and snow.

Friday morning was far the coldest morning we have had this year. Some thermometers in Jasper ranging as low as 4 above zero. Each succeeding morning however has been a little warmer until at this writing it has again settled down to a cold day.

As is always the case when south-west Missouri has a cold wave the rest of the country is having a still colder experience. Throughout the north and east this past week has seen the coldest December weather in 27 years. At Kansas City it was zero, St. Paul 23 below and Milwaukee 28 below.

A SUCCESSFUL MEETING.

TEACHER'S INSTITUTE MEETS IN JASPER.

Prominent Teachers From Joplin In Attendance And Lead In Interesting Discussions.

Owing to the untiring efforts and carefully prepared arrangements of Prof. J. J. Rowe, the Teacher's Association at the High School, Saturday, Dec. 12, proved to be a very successful and interesting meeting. Prof. Rowe keeps well in touch with the most advanced educational ideas, and knows it to be helpful to fellow teachers to meet and discuss such questions as to promote deeper interest and better results in the noble work of our schools.

On account of the unfavorable weather, only a few were present at the morning session and the assembly resorted to a Round Table and spent a few hours in discussing school topics of general interest. The afternoon session was better attended and a very interesting and helpful program was rendered.

Misses Ethel Robinson and Laura Beeson of the High School, each gave recitations in a very pleasing manner. Elmer Smith, Principal of the Central

school of Joplin read a paper on "Some School Problems," which showed deep and careful thought and a perfect preparation. Mr. Smith's forceful and impressive delivery is convincing that he is thoroughly in sympathy with his work and that he understands the practical, as well as the theoretical side of teaching.

After a discussion of the topic, Miss Neta Houck teacher, of the Grammar school of this city, read a paper on "The Spirit of Enthusiasm," which showed the effects of enthusiastic interest and a personal individualism.

A. C. Eliff, of East Joplin, gave a thorough discussion on "Rational Arithmetic," explaining and illustrating the best and most practical methods of teaching this subject.

Following, H. C. Rowe, of the Jackson Avenue school of Joplin, in well chosen words and impressive manner, gave a comprehensive and thoroughly practical talk on the successful teacher, practical ways and methods, etc. Mr. Rowe is rapidly pushing to the front in his professional work, and he justly merits the highest of praise in his line.

Ed Steiner, a former J. H. S. student now teacher of the Farmers Union School, read a very interesting paper on "Duties of a Teacher," which showed that Mr. Steiner is just the person for the work he has chosen.

H. O. Baker, principal of the Marion school near Carthage also produced some thoughtful argument and lent some able aid to the different topics.

The Association adjourned after an instructive talk from the Rev. W. T. Ferguson.

Will Move To Tulsa.

Mrs. Al Breeze will have a public sale of household goods at her home on Belle Street in this city next Saturday, December 19, after which she will join her husband at Tulsa, Indian Territory, where they will make their future home. Mr. Breeze has a good position in a warehouse at that place. Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hoffman will occupy their residence on Belle street.

Reduced From \$1.50 To \$1.15 Per Yard.

An extra heavy Lydia Skirting, 56 inches wide, in colors of Brown, Navy Blue and Grey, are closing out at \$1.15 per yard. Our \$1.50 Black Broadcloth is also reduced to \$1.15 per yard.

R. L. ROBERTS & SON.

Tax Notice.

The City taxes are now due and must be paid before Jan. 1, 1904, when they become delinquent with a penalty attached. R. W. SHEETS, Collector.

Take your team to I. Bowman's Feed Yard when you are in town. California Fruit at J. A. Rhoads.

The troubles Of the World

are tooth troubles, very largely. It's not wise to put up with them when we remedy them so surely, so cheaply, and with so little pain. We'll take care of all your tooth troubles.

The ALBANY DENTISTS

East Side Square, over Myers' store. Telephone 235. CARTHAGE, MO.

COACH HORSE ASSOCIATION

TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR COMPANY FORMED.

Composed of Citizens of Jasper and Vicinity--Will Have Some Fine Horses.

"The Jasper Coach Horse Association" is a new organization which has just been formed by a number of citizens of Jasper and vicinity who are interested in high grade horses.

Articles of agreement have been signed and a charter has been granted for an incorporation capitalized at \$25,000. The officers of the company are H. A. Vincent, president; B. A. Gooding, secretary; M. N. Miller, treasurer. A. L. Nutt, Wm. Estes and C. D. Moore are also stockholders.

The company has purchased the fine black coach stallion "Senator No. 2004," one of the finest horses ever bought to Jasper county. This fine animal comes from the famous Cronch's stables of Lafayette, Indiana, and captured the blue ribbon at all of the fairs where he was entered last fall.

Because this fine horse the company is now negotiating for two other fine horses, one a Percheron Black and as fine as there is to be had. If they succeed in getting him Jasper and surrounding country will surely have reason to feel proud. The other line of horses have not been decided upon yet. A fine stable will be built in Jasper and additional horses will be added as demanded.

For fancy candies go to J. A. Rhoads.

Plenty of North Missouri Corn at the J. P. Leiss Grain Co. Carthage.

Poultry Wanted

We will pay highest market price in cash for poultry. Poultry must have empty crabs. ZINN & WAGNER.



NEW BUILDING IN PROSPECT.

H. Hendricks Contemplates One in The Spring.

H. Hendricks contemplates the erection of a big store building on his lots on the corner of Main street and Grand Avenue, to take the place of the frame building now on the corner. The stone is now being hauled, but the work on the new building will not be commenced before next spring.

The new building as now planned will be 50 by 70 feet—fronting south on Grand Avenue and running 20 feet north. This is one of the best business corners in town and the contemplated improvements will add greatly to its value.

The Chautauque Circle.

The Jasper C. L. S. C. met with Miss Emma Hendricks Friday evening. An excellent program was rendered and a good number in attendance. The meetings are growing in interest and the circle is more than meeting the expectations of the charter members. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Geo. Rex, Christmas night. Quotations will be given from Longfellow.

JASPER Racket Store

We have just received another New lot of

Christmas Presents

Bought Cheap. Be sure and see them.

Jasper Racket Store

SPECIAL SALE

For a Short time we are Selling

Fascinators	Dress Goods	Shoes
\$1.50 Circular Shawls for.....1.20	\$1.25 Dress Goods at......65c	Ladies \$3.50 Extension Sole at.....2.75
\$1.00 Circular Shawls for......85c	\$1.00 Dress Goods at......75c	Mens \$1.50 Shoe at.....1.18
\$1.00 Fascinator for......75c	90c Dress Goods at......65c	Mens \$4.00 High Top Shoe at.....3.00
75c Fascinator for......60c	75c Dress Goods at......50c	Mens \$4.00 Lace Boot at.....3.20
50c Fascinator for......35c	60c Dress Goods at......40c	Mens \$5.00 Bootie for.....4.00
25c Fascinator for......15c	60c Dress Goods at......48c	
Notions	Skirt Patterns	Groceries
Shotland Floss per skein at......50c	\$1.00 Flannel Skirt Patterns at......80c	We always carry a complete line of
Ready made skirts at cost.	50c Skirt Pattern at......35c	Groceries and pay the Highest Market
Ginsaware and China at cost.	35c Skirt Pattern at......25c	Price for Produce.

Remember the place

J. McCASLIN

P. S.—We carry a complete line of Men's and Boy's Pants.

CORN ! CORN ! CORN !

The J. P. LEISS GRAIN CO. has received its first shipment of North Missouri Corn
First come, first served.

Don't lay our Oil Cans down like no one wanted them. We just loaned them to you and now need them. Webb Brothers